Aleks KURGVEL

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FOR THE RECORD:

I have reported earlier that I am a member of the New York Association of the former Estonian officers in the USA, since this Association was established some eight or nine years ago.

During the last two years I have been pressured by the members of the Board of the Central Association of six such member-associations in the USA to accept the post of the Chairman of this Central Association of the former Estonian Officer in the USA. The reason for this pressure was that the last Chairman, a former Estonian Colonel, and some other former field-grade Estonian officers have refused co carry on or to accept this post because of their advanced age (mostly over 70).

After I was allowed by my Employer to participate in leading positions in the Legion of Estonian Liberation, I had no longer good reason to refuse to be a candidate for the offered post of Chairman of the said Central Association, the aims of both these organizations being anti-Communist and not in conflict with the aims of the Government of the United States.

On the annual meeting of the Central Association which was held in the Estonian House in New York, N.Y. on this 4th September, I was unanimousely elected to the post of the Chairman of this Central Association of the former Estonian Officers in the U.S.A., for the duration of one year.

This fact does not hinder me in carrying out any work or assignment which I might be given by my Employer, including TDY assignments abroad.

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